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Our Clubs, and their members & families,

From,

The Motorcycling SA Board & Staff,

Message from the President and Board of MSA,

The Motorcycling SA Board of Directors, along with the staff in the MSA Office would like to take this time to wish all of our affiliated clubs, members as well as their families a very Merry Christmas and a safe New Year.

With the office closing for just over a week, from December 22 to January 2, it will give some the chance to sit back and relax with friends and family before we all gear up for what will be a huge year of motorcycle sport in South Australia.

Whilst 2018 was certainly a challenging year at times, there have been a lot of positives to take out of the year. Licenced members saw a small increase, while the quality of many of our events certainly are on the up as are our officials, both seasoned and the many new officials that have stepped up this year.

Also pleasing is the number of SA riders that are 'shooting for the stars' and taking their riding to the highest level, with 12 Australian Champions and 12 International competitors recognised this year at the MSA Night of Champions. There were also top 3 placings at National level including many of our juniors.

The Night of Champions had a 're-vamp' in 2019, with a brand new venue and 2 of our annual awards also getting a face-lift, Rising Star & Club of the Year. With a full house of 180 guests to watch the great Bill Horsman inducted into the Hall of Fame, it certainly helped to create a great end to the year.

Nationally 2018 was a successful year in a number of areas, MA is in a vastly better position with the signing of the Alliance Agreement and progression of many issues behind the scenes. As usual we saw some challenges which needed to discussed and an agreed solution implemented, it will never please everyone however the open communication and accessibility has never been better.

2019 will see our insurance package again go to market with ALL costs being reviewed in ALL areas of the business. We have also seen some local challenges within clubs and externally, all have been dealt with a level of respect, communication and cooperation. Most issues were cleared up in an efficient and timely fashion.

The whole board has been working on many facets of the business in preparation for not only 2019, but longer term into 2020 to ensure the evolution and growth of our Sport. We've seen a number of positive indicators coming through which look positive for the New Year and beyond. The Board and Management are committed to providing the best products and services for our members and clubs.

We look forward to seeing you all out on the track in 2019, and with the 2019 Motorcycling SA calendar officially released, the Christmas break will also be the time to plan your year's racing, with fantastic SA Championship series & stand-alone events locked in for most disciplines, as well as many Australian Championship events heading this way, plus a couple International events as well!

Regards – and season's greetings

Brenton Matters MSA President

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